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Offered by:

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To: Senate Bill No. 546

File No. 552

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***"AN ACT CONCERNING THE RATES PAID BY THE STATE TO
PRIVATE PROVIDERS OF CERTAIN STATE SERVICES."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2004*) (a) On or before September
4 first of each even-numbered year, the Secretary of the Office of Policy
5 and Management, in consultation with the head of each budgeted state
6 agency responsible for services related to health and hospitals, human
7 services, education and correction, shall prepare a report which
8 compares, for the previous biennium, the rates and the rate increases
9 paid by the state to private providers of such services to the
10 compensation and compensation increases paid by the state to state
11 employees providing the same or similar services. Such report shall be
12 included in the budget document transmitted by the Governor to the
13 General Assembly pursuant to section 4-71 of the general statutes.
14 Subject to the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, funding
15 necessary to provide a rate increase to such private providers that

16 equals the mean average increase paid to such state employees for the
17 previous biennium shall be included in the recommended
18 appropriations for each affected agency and in the state budget act
19 passed by the General Assembly for the ensuing biennium.

20 (b) The percentage amount by which the compensation for state
21 employees was increased during the biennium ending June 30, 2005,
22 shall not be exceeded in any succeeding biennium except as provided
23 in this subsection. Commencing with the biennium ending June 30,
24 2007, and each succeeding biennium, the increase paid to private
25 providers pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be increased
26 by a cost of living allowance which shall be in addition to any rate
27 increase provided in accordance with subsection (a) of this section. The
28 cost of living allowance shall be equal to the increase in the consumer
29 price index for urban consumers during the last-completed calendar
30 year preceding the biennium to which the budget relates, according to
31 United States Bureau of Labor Statistics data. Such additional cost of
32 living allowance shall be paid annually until the rates paid by the state
33 to private providers and the rates paid to state employees for the
34 provisions of such same or similar services are equal. At such time, the
35 limit imposed on percentage increased received by state employees
36 shall no longer be in effect."

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	July 1, 2004